Arizona State Retirement System Board



U.S. Equity Large Cap Manager Review

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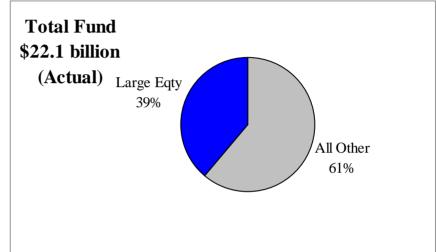
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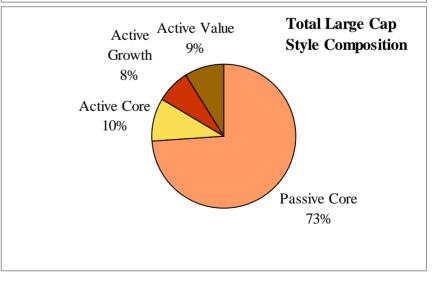
Presentation Topics

- Large Cap Manager Reviews (aggregate)
 - Asset Class Snapshot
 - Mandates Overview
 - Excess Returns
 - Value Added
 - ASRS Large Cap Composite vs. S&P 500
- Large Cap Manager Reviews (individual)
 - Performance Analysis
 - Attribution Analysis
 - Style Factors
 - Organizational Issues
 - Assessment

US Equity Large Cap Assets March 31, 2005

- Market Value: \$8.6b
- Passive Percent: 77.1%*
 - − Target 75% ±10%
- Active Style Composition-
 - Core: 37%
 - Growth: 29%
 - Value: 34%
- 8 Portfolios
 - 3 Passive
 - 5 Active (Inception: 12/31/02)
 - Quantitative: 3
 - Mathematical: 1
 - Fundamental: 1
- Weighted Average Fee: 7 bp



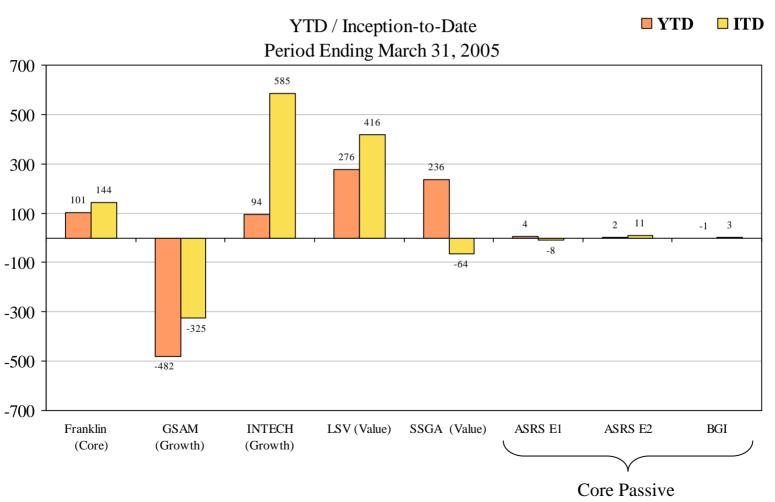


^{*}All numbers exclude GTAA, except for the passive percent, in which GTAA is included at the assumed 56% allocation

Mandates US Equity Large Cap Managers

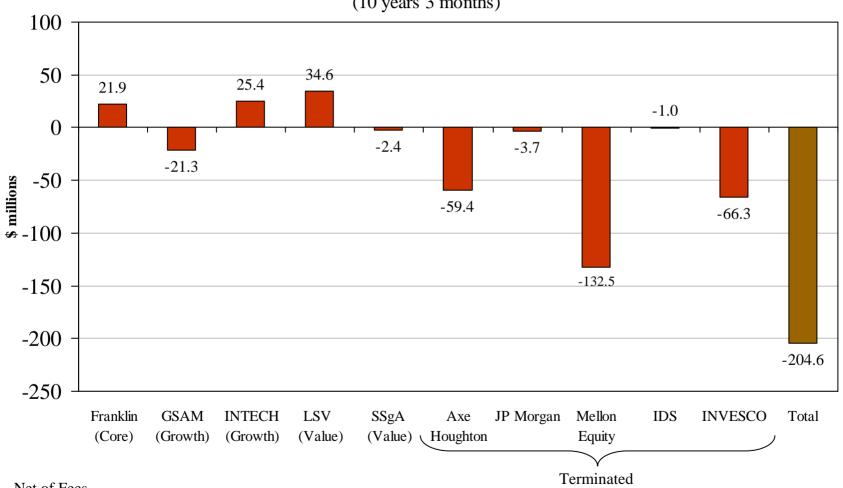
Manager	Benchmark	Inception	Fee (bp)	Expected Alpha (bp)	Portfolio Assets (\$mil) ¹	Strategy Assets (\$mil) ¹
Active						
Franklin Portfolio	S&P 500	12/31/02	12	150	\$838.7	\$4,170
Goldman Sachs	S&P 500 GR	12/31/02	41	450	\$312.3	\$7,239
INTECH	S&P 500 GR	12/31/02	43	350	\$336.0	\$14,914
LSV	S&P 500 Val	12/31/02	29	200	\$475.6	\$16,774
State Street	S&P 500 Val	12/31/02	22	200	\$288.3	\$2,187
Passive						
ASRS E1	S&P 500	09/30/95	1	25	\$1,079.2	n/a
ASRS E2	S&P 500	03/31/97	1	5	\$2,930.3	n/a
Barclays Global	S&P 500	07/31/89	1	0	\$2,331.7	\$148,247

Excess Returns US Equity Large Cap Managers



Value Added in Dollars US Equity Large Cap Active Managers

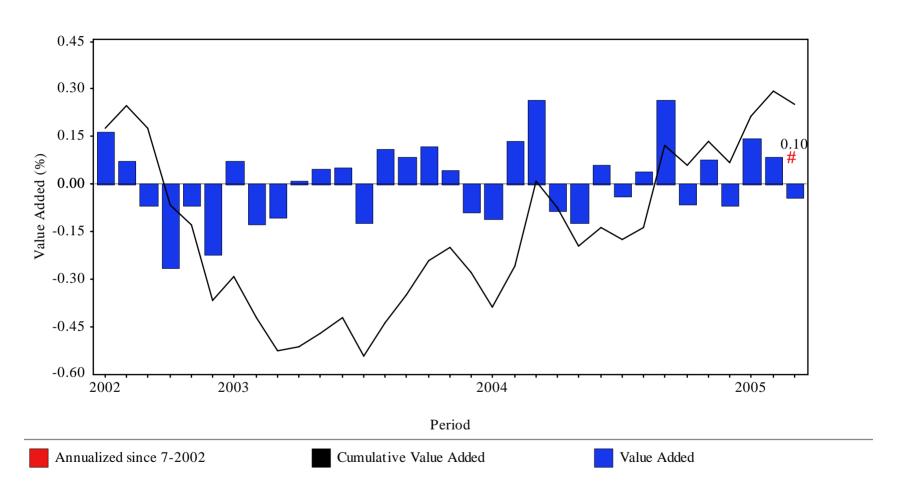
January 1995 to March 2005 (10 years 3 months)



Net of Fees

Dollar value added is a function of three factors: portfolio size, length of term, and magnitude of excess return.

US Equity Large Cap Composite Value Added Relative to S&P 500 July 2002 to March 2005

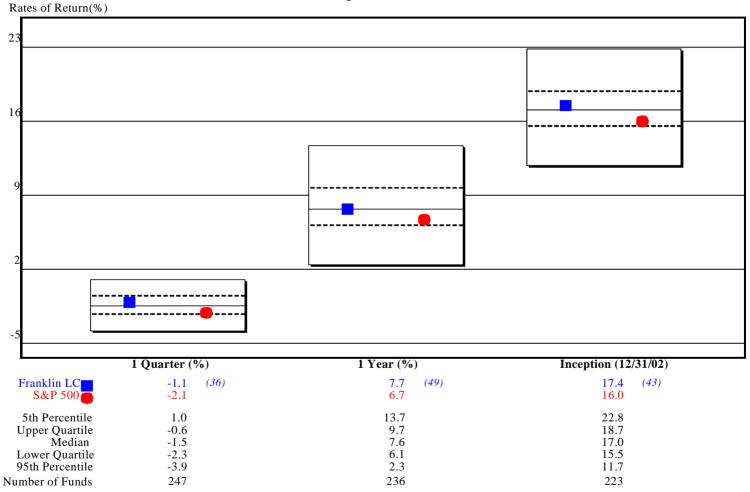


Market Proxy: S&P 500 INDEX

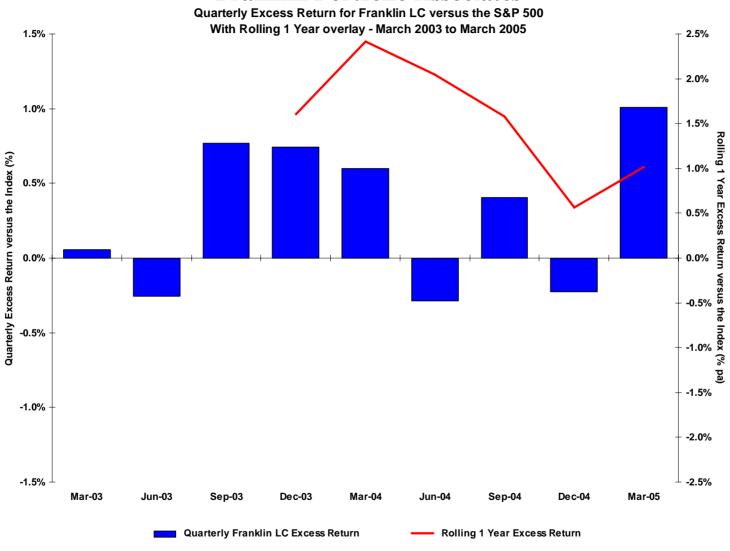
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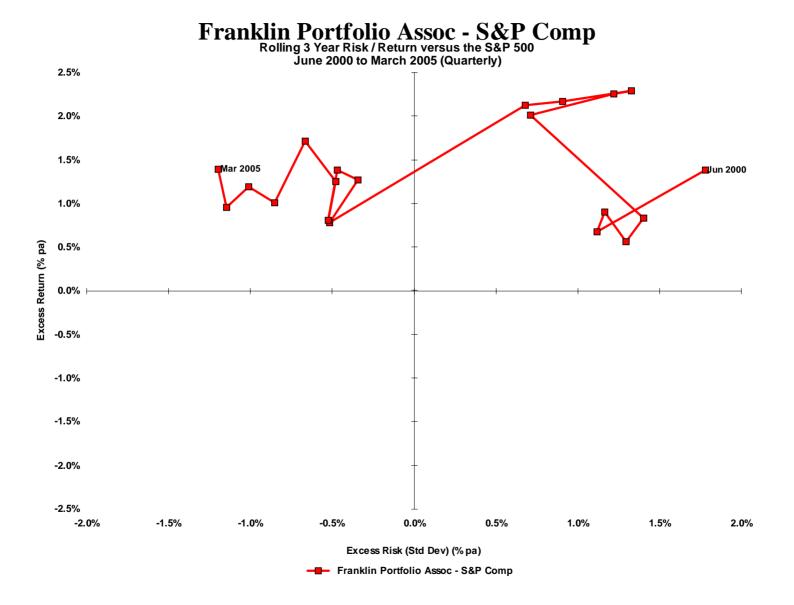
Franklin Portfolio Associates

Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Core Universe Performance for periods ended March 2005



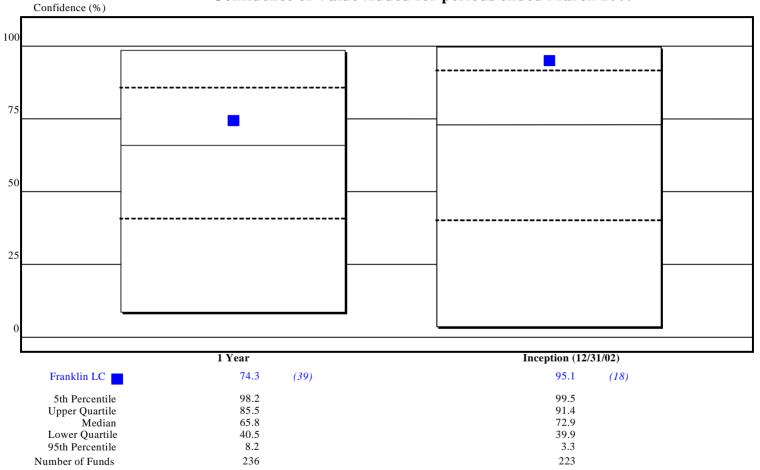
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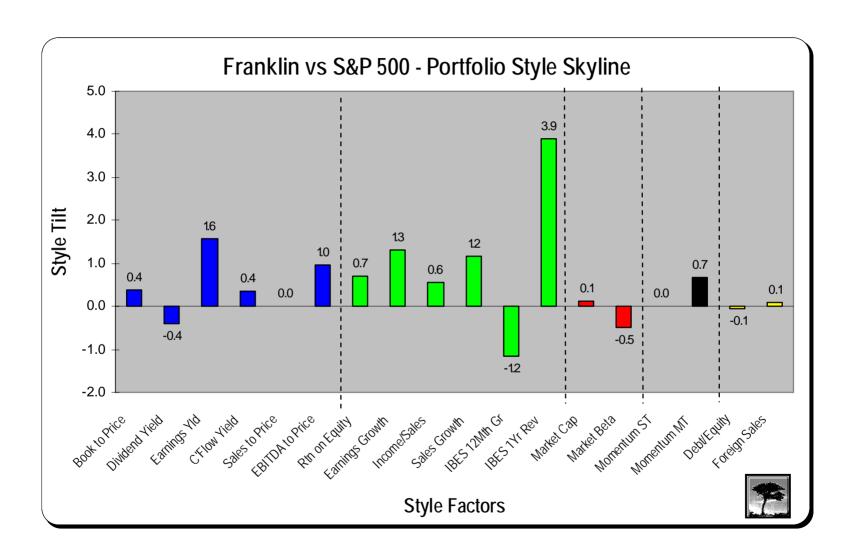
Franklin Portfolio Associates

Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Core Universe Confidence of Value Added for periods ended March 2005



Franklin Portfolio Associates Attribution Analysis Period Ending March 31, 2005

	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception 12/31/02
Stock Selection	0.36	0.52			0.99
Sector Selection	0.30	-0.25			0.46
Other	0.38	0.87			0.11
Fees	-0.03	-0.12			-0.12
Excess Return	1.01	1.02			1.44



Franklin Portfolio Associates Organizational Issues

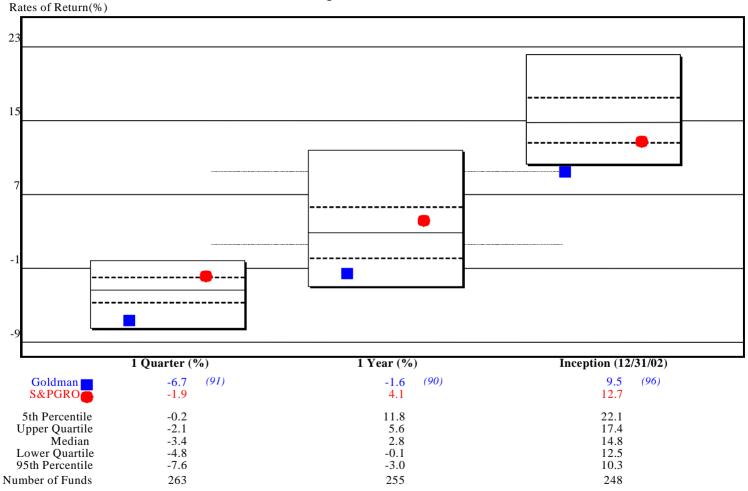
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Franklin Portfolio Associates Assessment

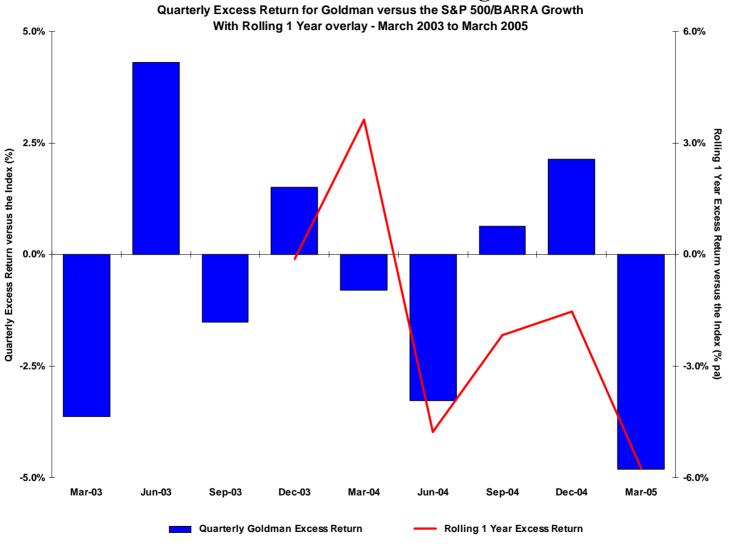
- Franklin outperformed its benchmark and placed above the universe median for all periods evaluated.
- Mercer rates this product A (above average probability of outperformance).

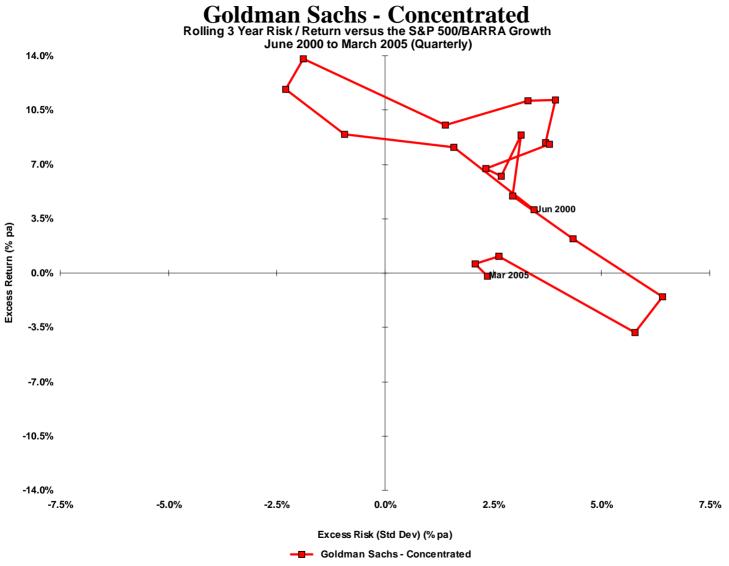
Goldman Sachs Asset Management Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Growth Universe

Performance for periods ended March 2005

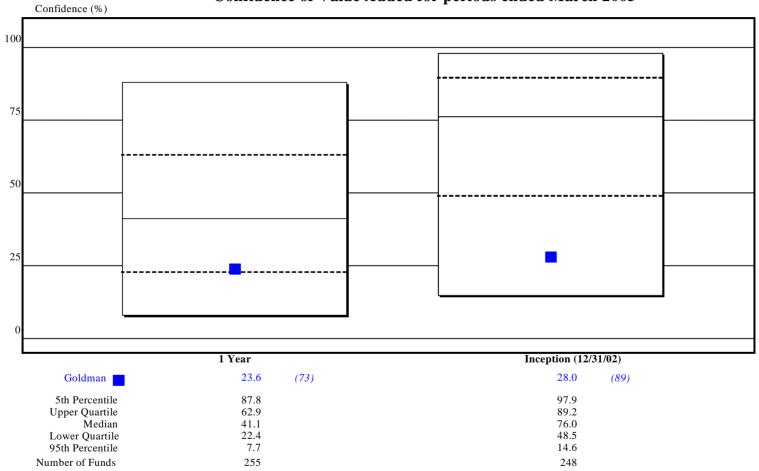


Goldman Sachs Asset Management



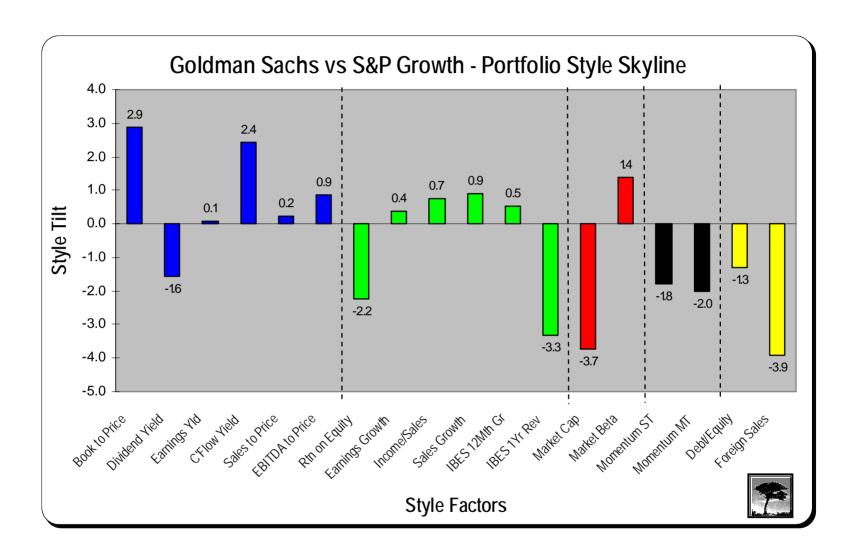


Goldman Sachs Asset Management
Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Growth Universe
Confidence of Value Added for periods ended March 2005



Goldman Sachs Attribution Analysis Period Ending March 31, 2005

	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception 12/31/02
Stock Selection	-1.21	1.98			0.83
Sector Selection	-3.51	-7.32			-3.67
Other	0.00	0.00			0.00
Fees	-0.10	-0.41			-0.41
Excess Return	-4.82	-5.75			-3.25



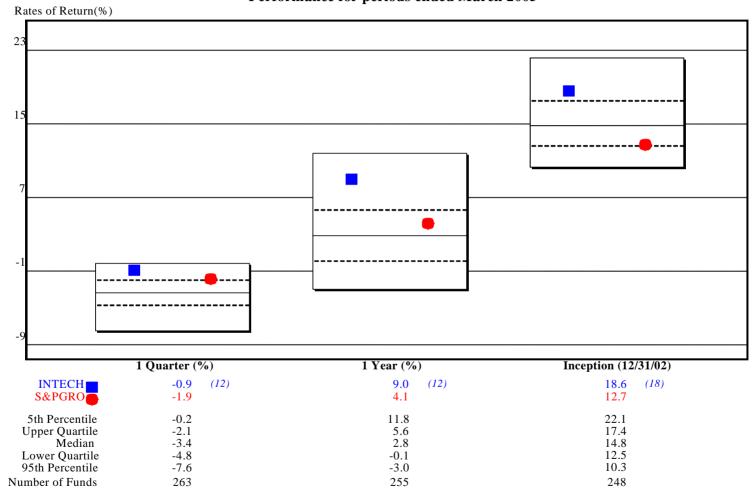
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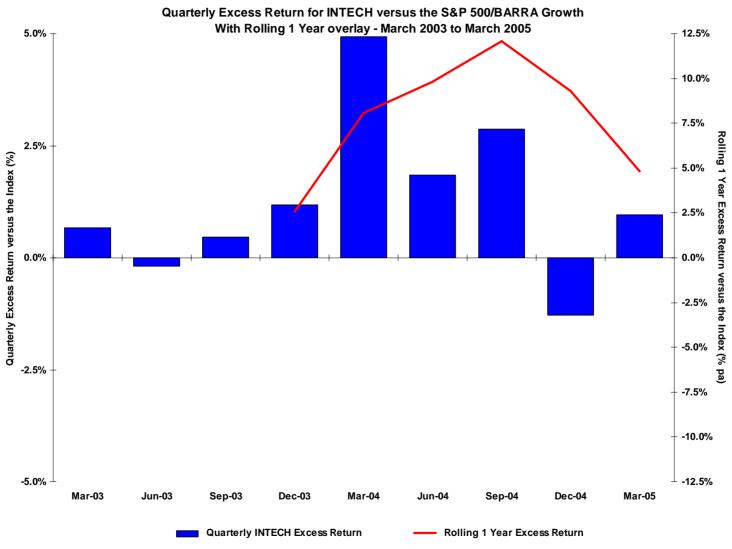
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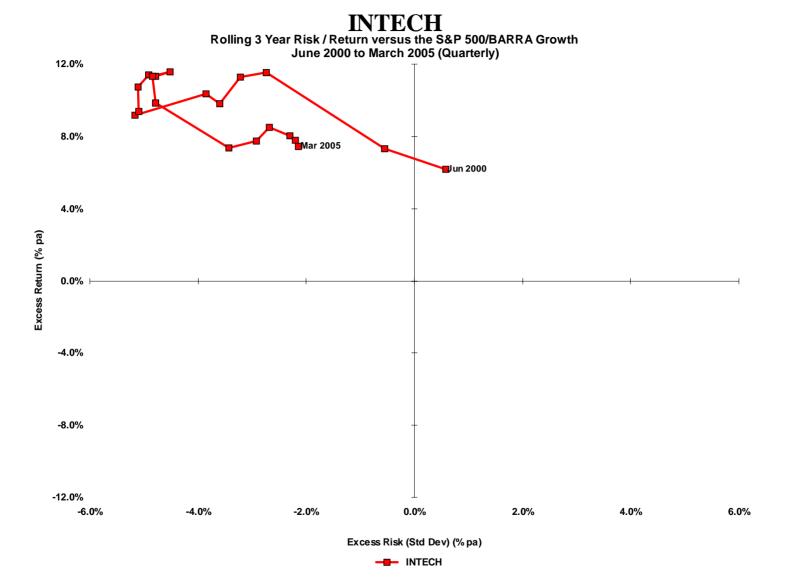
Goldman Sachs Asset Management Assessment

- Goldman Sachs underperformed its benchmark and placed in the bottom decile of the universe for all periods evaluated.
- Mercer rates this product A (above average probability of outperformance).

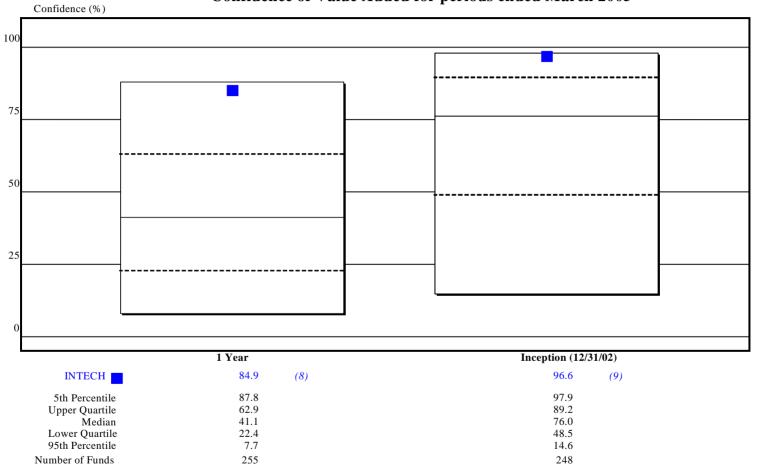
INTECH Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Growth Universe Performance for periods ended March 2005





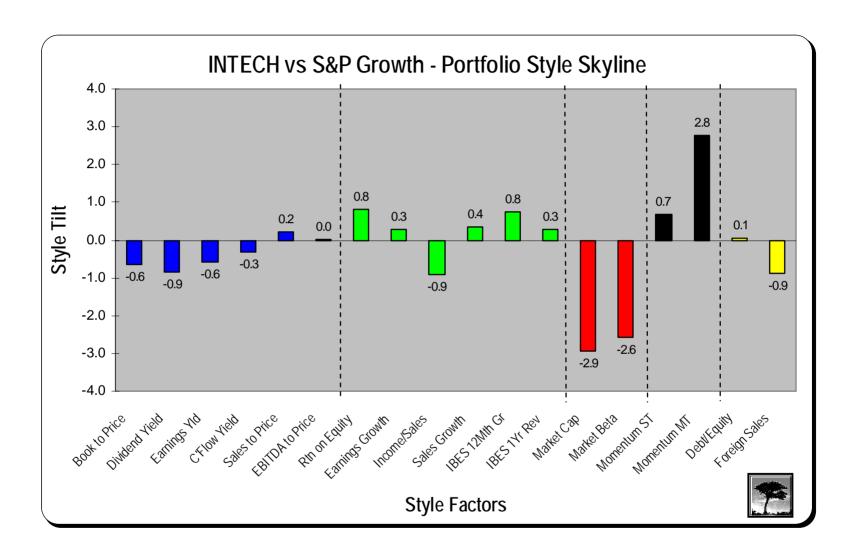


Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Growth Universe Confidence of Value Added for periods ended March 2005



Attribution Analysis Period Ending March 31, 2005

	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception 12/31/02
Change in Diversity (size effect)	1.24	4.71			5.20
Alpha Generator	-0.19	0.54			1.08
Other	0.00	0.00			0.00
Fees	-0.11	-0.43			-0.43
Excess Return	0.94	4.82			5.85



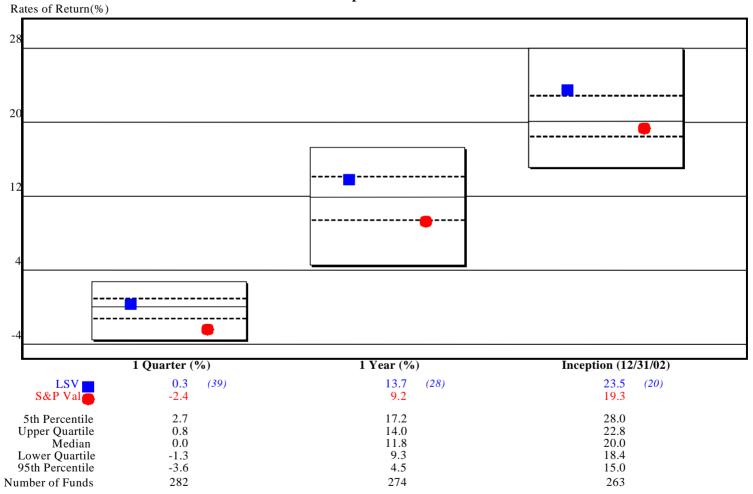
INTECH Organizational Issues

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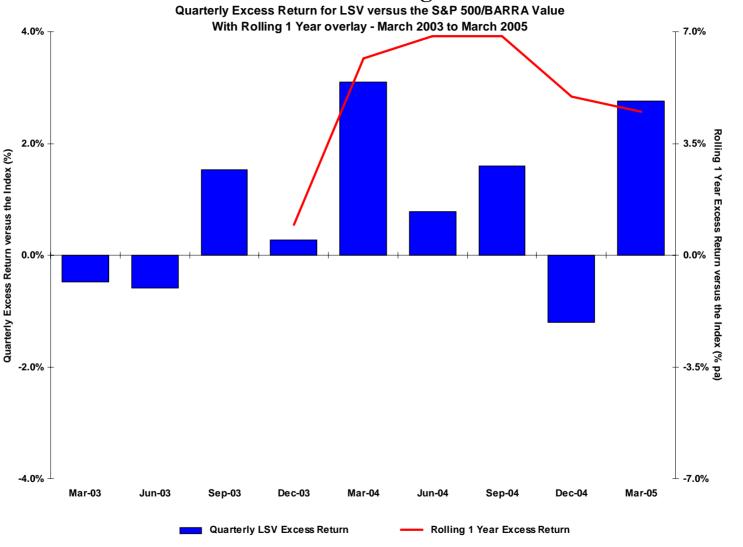
Assessment

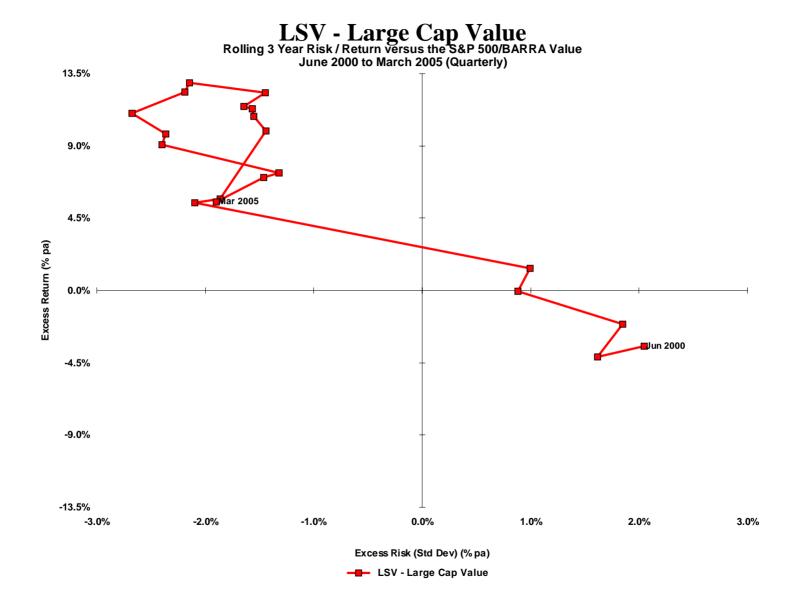
- INTECH outperformed its benchmark and placed in the top quartile of the universe for all periods evaluated.
- Mercer rates this product A (above average probability of outperformance).

LSV Asset Management
Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Value Universe
Performance for periods ended March 2005

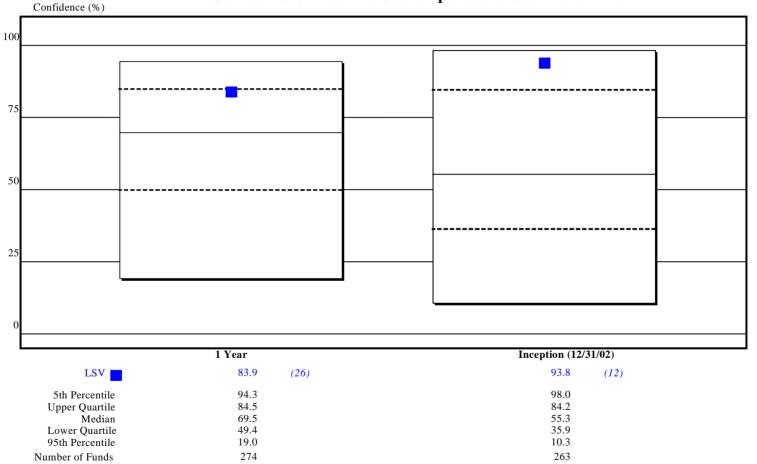


LSV Asset Management



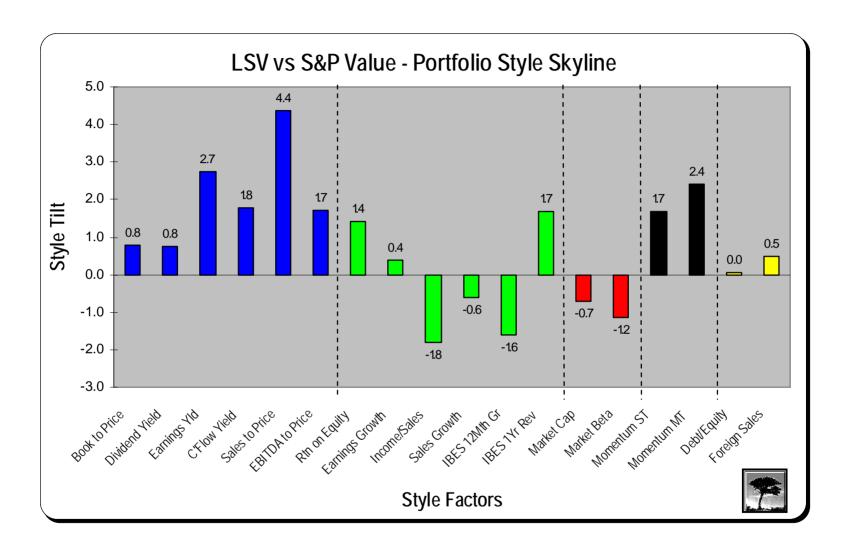


LSV Asset Management
Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Value Universe
Confidence of Value Added for periods ended March 2005



LSV Asset Management Attribution Analysis Period Ending March 31, 2005

	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception 12/31/02
Stock Selection	1.32	2.30			3.06
Sector Selection	1.51	1.40			0.70
Other	0.00	1.10			0.70
Fees	-0.07	-0.30			-0.30
Excess Return	2.76	4.50			4.16



LSV Asset Management Organizational Issues

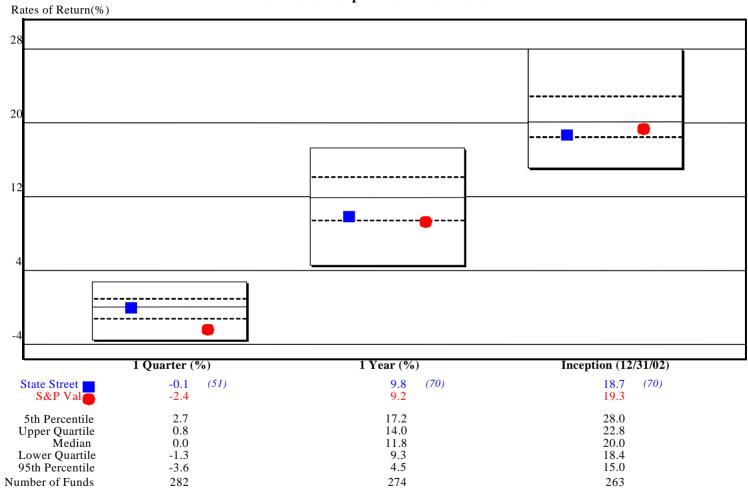
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LSV Asset Management Assessment

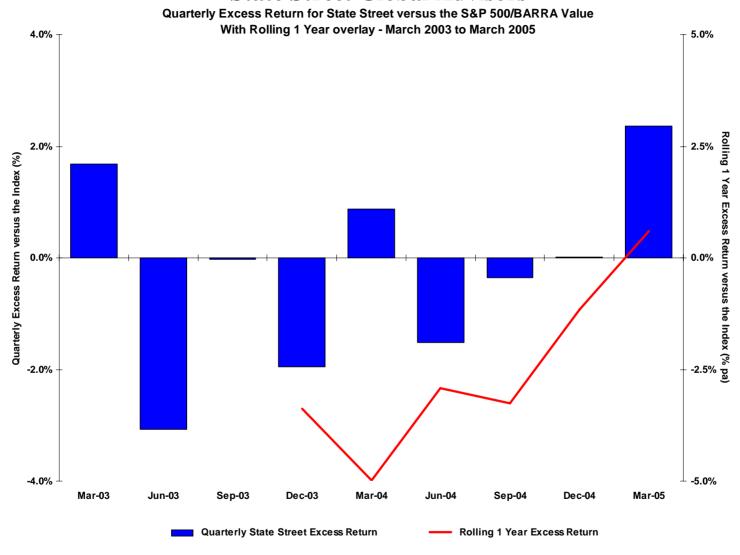
- LSV outperformed its benchmark and the universe median for all periods evaluated.
- Mercer rates this product A (above average probability of outperformance).

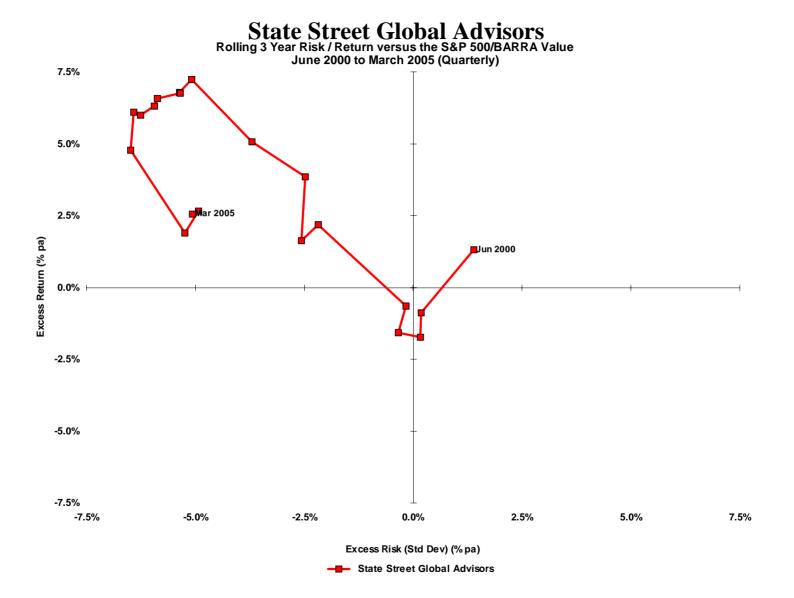
State Street Global Advisors

Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Value Universe Performance for periods ended March 2005



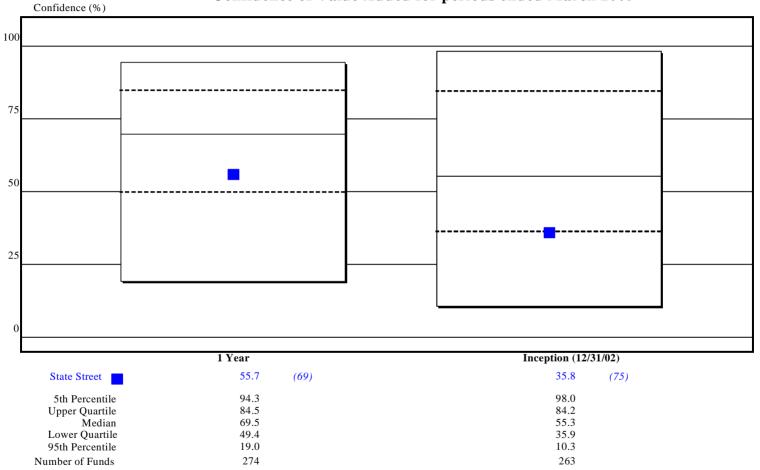
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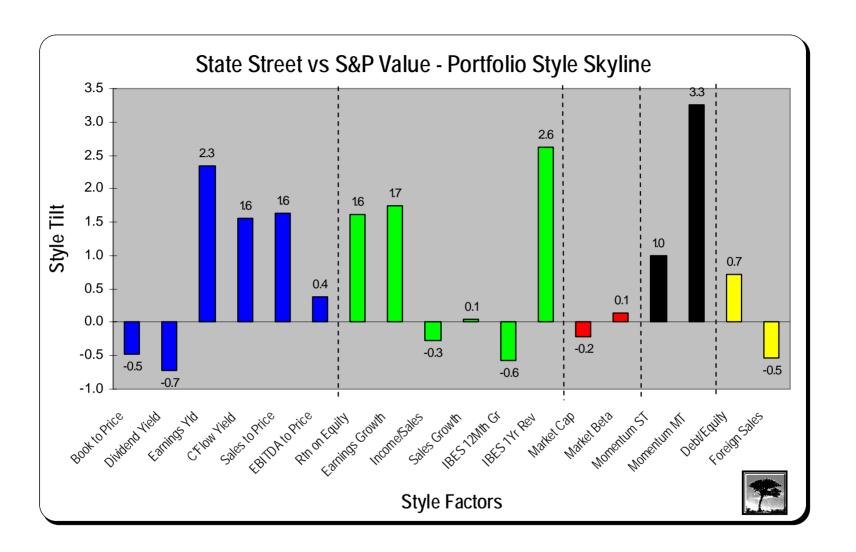
State Street Global Advisors

Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Value Universe Confidence of Value Added for periods ended March 2005



State Street Global Advisors Attribution Analysis Period Ending March 31, 2005

	Quarter	1 Year	3 Years	5 Years	Inception 12/31/02
Stock Selection	1.57	-0.28			-7.36
Sector Selection	0.40	-0.09			-1.00
Other	0.42	1.17			7.93
Fees	-0.05	-0.21			-0.21
Excess Return	2.36	0.59			-0.64



State Street Global Advisors Organizational Issues

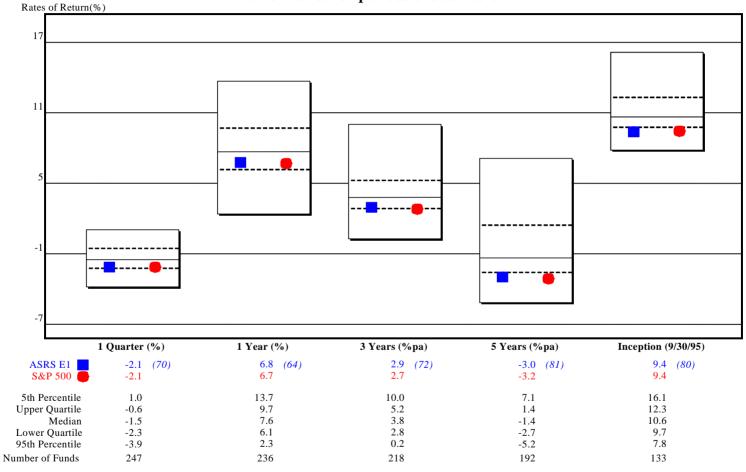
- Alan Brown, SSgA's CIO, resigned from his post on March 18. Mercer does not anticipate Brown's resignation to significantly impact the performance or direction of the firm, given the highly structured nature of its investment offerings.
- Tony Foley, head of SSgA's Advanced Research Center (ARC) resigned on April 25. The ARC team consists of 22 individuals with plans to expand to 30 in the near future. As a result of this depth, Mercer does not expect the departures to materially impact the research produced by ARC.

State Street Global Advisors Assessment

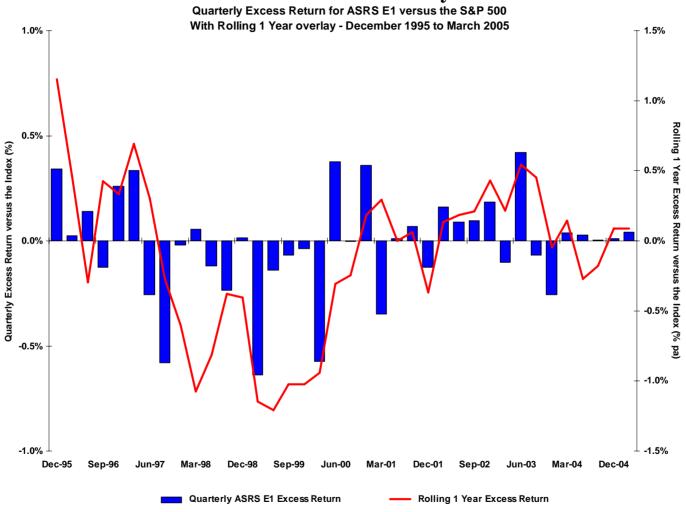
- State Street outperformed its benchmark for the recent quarter and 1 year but underperformed the benchmark since inception. For all periods evaluated, the portfolio placed below the universe median.
- Mercer rates this product A (above average probability of outperformance).

Arizona State Retirement System E1 Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Core Universe

Performance for periods ended March 2005



Arizona State Retirement System E1

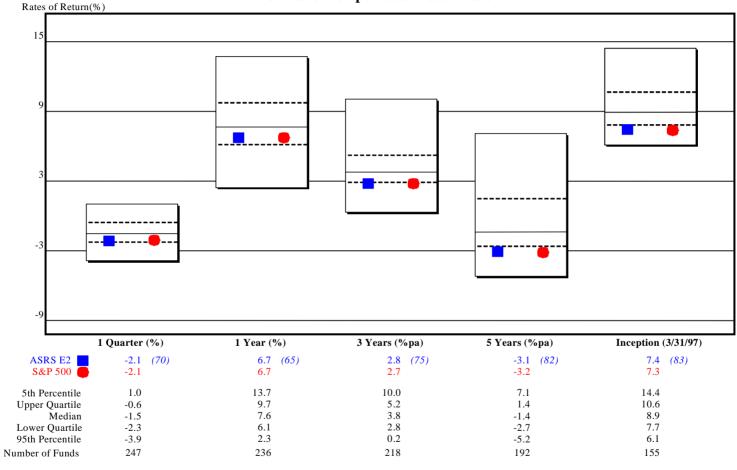


ASRS E1 Assessment

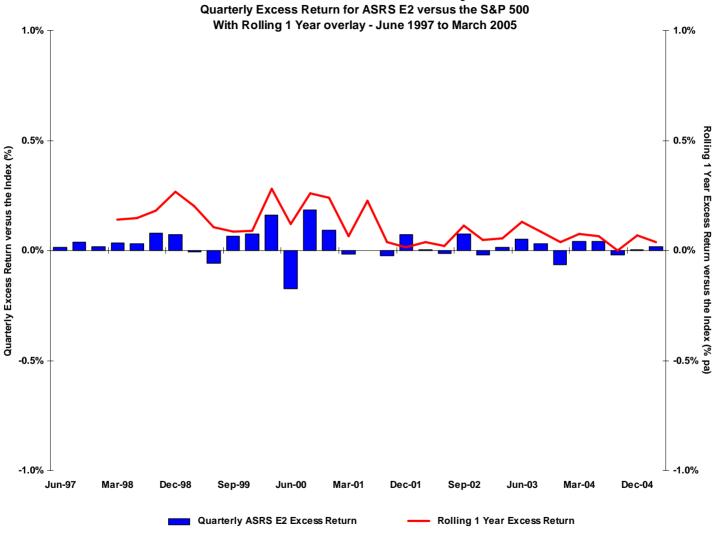
• The ASRS E1 portfolio was within 0.2% of the index for all periods evaluated.

Arizona State Retirement System E2 Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Core Universe

Performance for periods ended March 2005



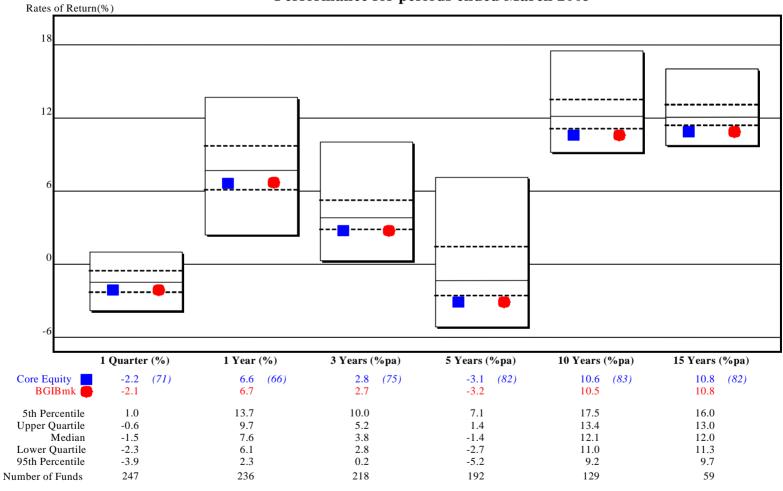
Arizona State Retirement System E2



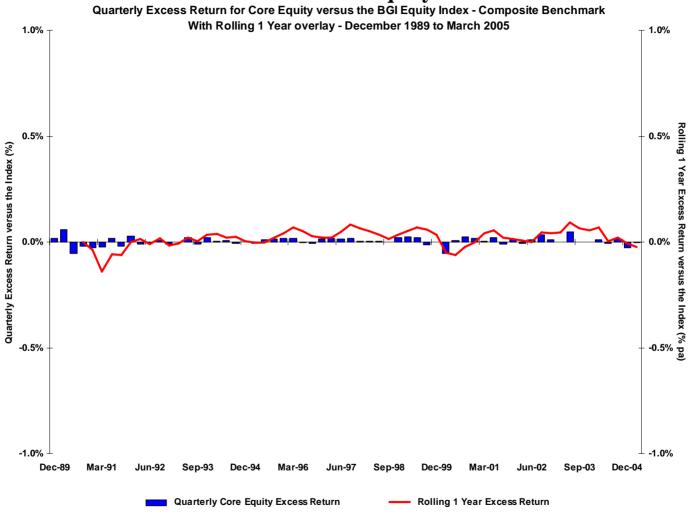
ASRS E2 Assessment

• The ASRS E2 portfolio was within 0.1% of the index for all periods evaluated.

BGI Core Equity
Comparison with the Mercer US Equity Large Cap Core Universe
Performance for periods ended March 2005



BGI Core Equity



Barclays Global Investors Organizational Issues

No organization concerns at this time.

Barclays Global Investors Assessment

- BGI is tracking the benchmark as expected.
- Mercer does not rate this product.

Mercer Ratings Scale

A, A- = Above average probability of outperformance

B+, B, B- = Average probability of outperformance

C = Below average probability of outperformance

N = Not rated

What Do the Ratings Mean?

- Mercer's view on prospective future performance relative to benchmark over the medium term (3 to 5 yrs)
- Relative to risk of underperforming benchmark
- May or may not be in keeping with past performance